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Victoria Routsen Surface Transportation Board Section of Environmental Analysis 1925 K Street NW, Room 711 Washington D.C. 20423-00001

Re: Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company, Inc. – Abandonment of Trackage Located in Albany County, New York (U.S. Postal Zip Codes 12202, 12077, 12054, and 12186) STB Docket No. AB-156 (Sub. No. 23X)

Dear Ms. Routsen:

Enclosed please find the Determination of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation regarding the above-referenced line of railroad. The State Historic Preservation Office has determined that the abandonment will have no effect upon cultural resources or is eligible for inclusion in the National Registered Historic Places. This should fulfill the Section 106 requirement that was imposed in the Environmental Assessment for this abandonment.

If additional information is needed or if there are any questions regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

LEONARD, STREET AND DEINARD PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

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DPG/kaa Enclosure

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D & H Railroad Line Abandonment Albany/Voorheesville, Albany County

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Dear Ms. Gerth:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Based upon this review, it is the SHPO's opinion that your project will have No Effect upon cultural resources in or eligible for inclusion in the National Registers of Historic Places.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please be sure to refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above.

Sincerely,

Ruth L. Pierpont

Director

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